

IARR DAILY CREW REPORT

Tampa Module #2

DATE: 08/11/2015, Tuesday TIME 18:00 hours, pdt WORK DAY# 8

PERSON REPORTING: Name of IARR: DAN BELANGER, located in Willow Creek, CA.
Name of IARR(t): PETE IRVINE, located in Hayfork, CA.

CREW NAME & NUMBER (FIRST SHIFT DAY = Tuesday, August 4, 2015)

Crew#	Crew	Local Reference	CRWB		Assignment
C-24	T2IA-PRMA-#3	PR-MA#3	Gabriel Gutierrez		Fork Complex
C-29	T2IA-FLST-#2	FL-ST#2	Ed Vuolo		Fork Complex
C-30	T2IA-GAMA-#1	GA-MA#1	Micah Thorning		Fork Complex
C-44	T2IA-GAST-#2	GA-ST#2	Chris Buchanan		River Complex
C-45	T2IA-FLMA-#1	FL-MA#1	Alan Kirby		River Complex

LOCATION & ASSIGNMENT OF CREWS

Fork Complex – CA-SHF-002067

STATE: California

ICP is located in Hayfork, CA, approximately 65 miles west of Redding, CA. The Fork Complex began as more than 40 lightning-caused fires on the Hayfork Ranger District of the Shasta-Trinity National Forest on July 30 and 31. The complex now consists of five major ongoing fires – Barker, Peak, Rail, Shiell, and Blue. California Type 1 IMT Team #4 (IC Rocky Oplinger) is managing the Fork Complex in unified command with CalFire (IC Donna McCain). ICP is at the Hayfork Fairgrounds. All three crews assigned to this fire complex worked productively and safely yesterday.

PR-MA#3 and FL-ST#2 remain assigned to Division O, prepping and improving indirect containment lines, and holding and patrolling established containment lines.

GA-MA#1 remains assigned to Division J; and will work a long shift today, supporting firing operations. These operations will be led by newly-established Firing Group. The crew will mitigate by working either a “swing shift” (starting at 14:00 hours) tomorrow, or transitioning to night shift (starting at 18:00 hours) tomorrow.

Both Division O and Division J are a part of Branch IV of the Fork Complex, and are now considered to be part of both the Peak and Rail Fires, located on both sides of Highway 3, south of Hayfork.

Crew#	Crew	Fire	Acres	Division	START Shift	END Shift	Cell Service
C-24	PR-MA#3	Fork Complex	24,514	O, Br IV	ICP-Hayfork	ICP-Hayfork	Spotty
C-29	FL-ST#2	Fork Complex	24,514	O, Br IV	ICP-Hayfork	ICP-Hayfork	Spotty
C-30	GA-MA#1	Fork Complex	25,514	J, Br IV	ICP-Hayfork	ICP-Hayfork	Spotty

2015 River Complex – CA-SHF-002066

STATE: California

ICP is located in Willow Creek, CA, approximately 105 miles west of Redding, CA. The River Complex started on 7/30/2015 and was comprised of four lightning-caused fires burning on the Shasta-Trinity and Six Rivers National Forests. All four fires have now merged together and are now one fire, called the Groves Fire. The Groves Fire is now 21,072 acres and is 12% contained. The primary fuel types for this fire are large timber with a mix of tall grass and chaparral. There are 644 personnel assigned to this fire with additional resources arriving daily. California Type 1 IMT Team #3 (IC Mark VonTillow) is managing this fire. The ICP is located at Veterans Park about 1 mile north of Willow Creek.

Today both the FL-MA#1 and GA-ST#2 will remain working in Branch 1, Division A, working on improving and mopping up containment lines and engaging in possible burn out operations from Drop Point 1 to Happy Ridge.

Crew#	Crew	Fire	Acres	Division	START Shift	END Shift	Cell Service
C-44	GA-ST#2	River Complex	21,072	Branch I Div. A	ICP-River Complex	ICP-River Complex	Y
C-45	FL-MA#1	River Complex	21,072	Branch I Div. A	ICP-River Complex	ICP-River Complex	Y

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MORALE OF CREWS:

Morale of all crews continues to be very good.

INJURIES:

No significant injuries.

MESSAGE:

The Fork Complex is no longer the highest priority fire in the nation, due both to the increasing containment due to the efforts of firefighters, and a new large fire elsewhere in California. It remains a high priority overall – one of seven fires in Northern California being managed by Type 1 or Type 2 Incident Management Teams. Total acreage is now 24,514 acres, 22% containment, with 2,044 personnel assigned. Yesterday's weather was not as severe as predicted by the Incident Meteorologist, and all fires in the complex remained inside existing lines. Evacuation and area closure orders remain in effect. A community meeting was held last night to update local residents on the fire situation and status. Residents expressed thanks and appreciation to the firefighters.

Fire personnel are again preparing for an active fire day today, with Red Flag Warnings in effect. Overall firefighting strategy includes focusing on holding and improving containment lines during day shift, and burnout operations in priority areas during night operations, to maximize effectiveness based on the current weather pattern. The two C-130 MAFFS aircraft working the fire are part of the 302nd Airlift Wing of the Air Force Reserve from Colorado Springs, CO, working temporarily from McClennan, CA.

Crew time was faxed to the home units of the federal employees on GA-MA#1 yesterday. The FL-ST#2 crew had mechanical issues with their bus yesterday which kept them in camp for the day, with the bus finally returning to service after 18:00 hours. All three crews on the Fork Complex are travelling in one school bus and one chase truck (pickup truck) each.

GA-ST#2 and FL-MA#1 continue to make good progress on Branch I, Division A of the River Complex. Yesterday the Plumas Hotshot crew was working with the GA-ST#2 crew prepping a portion of the division line for burnout operations. The Plumas Hotshots allowed the GA-ST#2 crew the opportunity to actually conduct some of the burnout operations using an assortment of firing apparatuses. The GA crew members were very upbeat and excited to have been given this opportunity to work with the "shots" and to successfully complete some burnout operations. Red flag warnings will still be in effect today until 20:00 hours with potential gusty winds from the south and temperatures in the mid 80's.

Notes on Abbreviations: pdt = pacific daylight time.

PR = Puerto Rico, FL = Florida, GA = Georgia.

MA = Multi-Agency, ST = State.

IC = Incident Commander

ICP = Incident Command Post.

CRWB = Crew Boss, IARR = Interagency Resource Representative.

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